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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:

Peterson et al.

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application for two months from January 16, 2003 to March 16, 2003.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27 has already been filed in this application.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 26-0084 \$205.00 for two months to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 26-0084. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. § 1.6(a)(3))

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I hereby certify that this document and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being transmitted via facsimile to: Technology Center 1600 (Art Unit 1638) 703-872-9306, Attn. Assistant

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this /6 day of March 2003.

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